

CAPITOL DISPUTE TO BE HIRED AGAIN

SEEK TO FIND IF CONTRACTOR IS
USING THE BEST MIS-
SOURI STONE.

SAMPLE OF WALL APPROVED

Senator Phelps, Interested in Quar-
ries, Refuses to Stir Up Matter—
Only Wants Best Material Used
—Two Kinds of Rock.

Jefferson City.

Although quarry interests of Jasper county are said to be urging Senator William H. Phelps of Carthage to introduce a resolution to investigate the question of whether Contractor R. F. Gill "is using the best stone" for the construction of the new state capitol, Phelps will not stir up the matter, it is believed.

When Phelps was asked about this report he said that he had heard nothing about it. "All I am concerned about is that the contractor uses the best stone in building the capitol. I understand that the stone being used is from Carthage," he said.

The contractor has opened quarries at Cassville and Carthage and is dressing his own stone. A sample wall was constructed, which was approved by the commission in so far as the stone was up to the standard of quality approved by the commission, the standard being a chunk of Carthage stone. The commission sought to find out whether Gill had used any blocks from Cassville, but was unable to detect them or to find out.

Gill is setting stone on the walls, and this is said to come both from Carthage and Cassville, the stone being identical and of the Burlington variety.

Bondsman in Bad.

James P. Miles of St. Louis was in Jefferson City to see what can be done in the matter of the forfeited bond of Harry Lasker, a pickpocket, against whose bondsman, Sam Weisman, division No. 2 of the supreme court Monday declared a forfeiture. The amount involved is \$1,500.

Miles says Lasker is serving a 10-year sentence in the Virginia penitentiary and therefore could not be produced by Weisman.

There are only two ways by which Weisman can be relieved from the payment of the forfeited bond. One is for the court to entertain a motion for a rehearing and the other for Gov. Major to grant a remitter.

Eugenic Marriages.

Representative Frank W. Wilkinson of Jackson county will introduce, by request, a eugenic marriage bill this week. This is a measure prepared by the clubwomen and Ministerial alliance of Kansas City. Three days' notice of intention to marry must be filed and three persons not of blood kin to the contracting parties may stay the issuance of a license until investigation is made.

Provision is also made requiring medical examination of the contracting parties.

The bill, should it become a law, would put an end to elopements in Missouri.

Pure Advertising Bill.

A pure advertising bill will be introduced at the request of the Retail Clothiers' Association of Missouri. The bill will propose penalties in the way of fines ranging from \$25 to \$100 for anyone uttering a false advertisement and similar fines upon newspapers and other publications knowingly accepting an advertisement that misrepresents the goods advertised. The retail dealers throughout the state are back of the measure and will push it in the general assembly.

River Terminals Asked.

River terminals were discussed at the annual conference of the Association of Missouri Steamboat Men. It was the consensus of opinion that river transportation in Missouri could be rehabilitated only through municipal river terminals.

Compensation Too High.

Charles A. Houts, in speaking on a workmen's compensation act and said that if the compensation is reduced to figures to correspond with those in other states the measure will have the support of the Business Men's League.

United Railways Loss Suit.

The city of St. Louis has long tried to collect taxes from her street car system on the basis of business done, and the supreme court has finally upheld the city in every contention.

Agricultural Bills Introduced.

Representative Floyd S. Tuggle of Davies county, chairman of the house committee on agriculture in the last session, will introduce several farm bills, one of which will prohibit the adulteration of stock foods.

Additional Money Needed.

Estimates of commissioners of the Panama-Pacific exposition, submitted to Gov. Major by Col. W. A. Dalbey, indicate that the general assembly will be asked to appropriate an additional \$40,000 to cover expenses.

Attacks Pay Roll.

Senator Charles F. Carter of Clark county, a Democrat, will launch a vigorous fight in the Democratic Senate caucus against the loading down of the pay roll with a horde of useless clerks.

Slayer Must Hang.

Wesley Robinson, under sentence of death in Kansas City for the murder of his wife and daughter has lost his appeal to the Supreme Court and the date of his execution is set for Feb. 15.

Good Roads Question.

Frank W. Buffum, state highway commissioner, now in attendance on the legislature, will not try to introduce any good roads bills before the assembly.

"I know," said Commissioner Buffum, "that almost every member of the legislature will have some kind of a good roads bill to introduce."

Buffum said he felt the principal need of the highway commission was an increase in the appropriation which would allow the employment of a corps of expert engineers to counsel with the county organizations of the state regarding the selection of good road routes. He said that while the county courts were trying to do the right thing, very few of them really knew anything about good road building, and the assistance of a corps of road engineers would save the state many thousands of dollars. Buffum hopes a law of this kind will be passed.

He said he was opposed to a law for Missouri corresponding to the "Tice bill" of Illinois, which provides that a permanent hard road shall be built through every county in the state each year, the state to pay one-half and the county one-half. The building of the road, however, is optional on the vote of the taxpayers of the county. Buffum said large cities in Illinois make the Tice law practical, but it would not work in Missouri.

Big Roll of Employees.

The Democratic majority in the house will start off with 158 employees, including the elective officers. This number will be gradually increased, as the exigencies of the occasion seem to require.

The 75 Democratic members will each have one \$3.50 a day clerk. The 65 Republican members were allotted four stenographers and three pages. J. H. Bonnycastle, Progressive member, was given one stenographer to draft his bills and write his letters.

The number of house employees, if not increased, will cost the state about \$540 a day, or a little short of \$40,000 during the session of 70 days.

Here is the appointment of house clerks: Seventy-five member clerks; 18 committee clerks, 5 speaker clerks, 1 chief clerk, 19 stenographers, 14 pages, 10 assistant doorkeepers.

The clerks and stenographers receive \$3.50 a day; the doorkeepers \$3.50; the pages, \$1.50; the janitor and cloakroom attendants, \$2. The chief clerk, assistant chief clerk, enrolling clerk, doorkeeper, official reporter, chaplain, two reading clerks, enrolling clerk and postmaster, \$5 each.

Roads Complimented.

Frank P. Wightman of the Missouri Public Service Commission filed reports of physical inspections of the St. Louis, Iron Mountain & Southern; the St. Louis & Missouri Southern; the Shelby County; the Mississippi Valley and the Salem, Winona & Southern railroads.

The small railroads were found in the condition that usually prevails as to tracks, rails, equipment, etc. As to the Iron Mountain, which has a total mileage in this state of 430 miles, Commissioner Wightman pronounced the general condition good, the bridges and culverts sufficient and the ballast excellent.

Court Revenue Disappoints.

Though the Springfield Court of Appeals was self-sustaining in 1914, the estimated revenue for the state falls far short of the \$500 expected by State Auditor Gordon. The annual report of Clerk George H. Daniel shows receipts of \$4,015.40. Of this amount \$3,000 went to the clerk as salary and \$1,000 to a deputy clerk, leaving a balance of \$15.40 for the State Treasury.

"Nepotism" Stir Capitol Labor.

George Greeley, business agent for the bricklayers and masons, and P. J. Brice, business agent for the Hoisting Engineers' union, arrived here to adjust a labor controversy on the new capitol building. The dispute arose over the employment of a relative of the contractor as a fireman. The labor leaders expect to adjust the matter without any serious complications.

Hadley for Senate.

Former Gov. Herbert S. Hadley is to be a candidate for the Republican nomination for the United States senate in 1916.

A former Hadley appointee received a letter from him at Denver stating in confidence that he intends to enter the contest.

New Military Company.

Battery C, the third field artillery company recently organized with headquarters at Independence, Jackson county, has just had appointed a full quota of officers by Gov. Major Spencer Salisbury, Geo. W. Cassell and Harry Allen are lieutenants.

Minimum Wage for Women.

The State Commission looking into the matter of women's work has decided that \$3.63 per week is the minimum cost of living in St. Louis, and that all women should be paid that much. The Kansas City figures are 3 cents less, and the smaller cities are expected to pay \$3.

State Fish Hatchery.

A state fish hatchery may be established in the Ozarks, and money for this purpose will be asked of the legislature.

Cashier Loses.

The Supreme Court has affirmed the decision of the lower courts against A. B. Wilcox, defaulting cashier of the City Bank of Bloomfield, Stoddard county, who was short \$90,000 in his accounts. His sentence is two years.

Folk for Governor.

Anonymous postal cards in great numbers, apparently mailed at Liberty, Mo., bearing Joseph W. Folk for Governor in 1916, have made their appearance in Jefferson City.

PLIABLE WRIST IS PROFITABLE

Man Confesses to Collecting
Various Sums by Faking
Serious Injury.

GETS PRISON SENTENCE

Hand Would Fall Limp After Fall in
Car. Then Claim Agent Would
Call and Settle for the
Company.

Minneapolis.—How an obedient wrist bone served as a means of livelihood was told in court by Lester Edward Mills, who confessed that he had netted him \$2,000 in the last year. He finally gave his downfall, however, and he will serve an indeterminate sentence in the Stillwater penitentiary as the result of sentence by Judge W. C. Leary, before whom he pleaded "guilty" to a charge of attempted grand larceny on complaint of Ralph Wellington, claim agent of the Duluth Street Railway company.

All that Mills has done to separate \$2,000 from railroads, street railway companies and merchants within the last year has been to fall prostrate over a suitcase in the aisle or any obstacle on the sidewalk, gasp for breath and allow his left hand to hang limp from the wrist. Six rides has he taken in ambulances, six fair nurses have smiled at him as the color slowly returned to his face. Five claim agents have drawn checks against their companies and his many times has Mills pocketed the same.

Some Claims Paid.

Among the recent settlements made with Mills, according to his story in court, are:

Kennedy Brothers, \$400; Northern Pacific, \$1,200; Great Northern, \$125; Great Northern, \$350; St. Paul Street Railway company, \$250.

"I have been in just one wreck," Mills told Judge Leary. "That was March 13, 1905, at Fond du Lac, Wis. I was brakeman on the old Wisconsin Central. My left wrist was broken. About a year ago I thought I could use that injury to collect damages from others. At Duluth I got a fellow with a suitcase to get on a street car, and when the car was rounding a curve I fell over the suitcase. I complained that my wrist was hurt. They took me to a hospital. Later I came to Minneapolis and met the claim agent at the West hotel. It was only a few days afterward that I was arrested."

Scored by Judge.

"This may be your first arrest," said Judge Leary, "but it is not to your credit."



Complained That My Wrist Was Hurt.

credit, for all these other claims have been faked the same way, have they not?"

The prisoner glanced to the back of the courtroom, where was seated his young wife. When he raised his eyes to the judge he admitted that he had done nothing but work up fake claims for the last year or more.

Although Mills was arrested at No. 1604 Stevens avenue, his wife gave her address as No. 36 Thirteenth street South. She said she had no idea that her husband had been collecting money in the way he admitted. She thought he was working for a railroad company, she said.

Under the sentence Mills may be confined to state prison not to exceed two and one-half years.

COACH TOO SMALL FOR HER

So Woman Weighing 600 Pounds
Rides in Baggage Car in
Pennsylvania.

Pittsburg.—Too large to enter an ordinary passenger coach, an unidentified woman, weighing about six hundred pounds, who boarded Pennsylvania train, No. 43 at Lewistown, Pa., rode to Pittsburg in a baggage car. When the train arrived here a force of railroad men lifted the woman's freight from the train, and she left the station.

The train was held up several minutes in Lewistown as the train crew would not permit her to enter the baggage coach until permission was obtained from railroad officials.

Try Cure on Monkeys.

Chicago.—Fourteen monkeys, bitten in the tropics by the tsetse fly, developed sleeping sickness on the way North, and were in advanced stages of the disease when delivered at a local hospital, where they were to be used in osteopathic research work. It was decided to try corrective adjustment of the spine. Under this manipulation all the monkeys recovered, with no complications or after effects.

Salzer's White Bonanza Oats.

Made C. J. Johnson of Lincoln Co., Minn., famous in growing 24 bushels from 2 1/2 bushels sown last spring. Can you beat that in 1915? Want you try?



We are America's headquarters for
Alfalfa and Potatoes
Timothy, Clovers and Farm Seeds.

For 10c in Postage

We gladly mail our Catalog and sample package of Ten Famous Farm Seeds, including Speltz, "The Cereal Wonder," Rejuvenated White Bonanza Oats, "The Prize Winner," Billion Dollar Grass, Teosinte, the Silo Filler, etc., etc.

Or Send 12c

And we will mail you our big Catalog and six generous packages of Early Cabbage, Carrot, Cucumber, Lettuce, Radish, Onion—furnishing lots and lots of juicy delicious Vegetables during the early Spring and Summer.

Or send to John A. Salzer Seed Co., Box 708, La Crosse, Wis., twenty cents and receive both above collections and their big catalog.

MADE A NEW CLASSIFICATION

Montana Walter Announced Lobsters
as the Only "Game" on the
Menu That Night.

The man from Montana was eating lobster Newburg the other night in a Broadway restaurant.

"Lobsters are common enough to you people here on the seacoast," he remarked to a New Yorker, "but when one gets well inland the fresh lobster becomes a bit more of a novelty. Not that we don't get plenty of lobsters in Montana, but, naturally, there're not as numerous as down here, and they're regarded as more of a luxury."

"This fact was brought to my attention one night recently in a hotel in Butte. I got in on a rather late train and went into a restaurant about nine o'clock in the evening for dinner. I happened to feel like eating a grouse or a duck or something of that sort. I glanced at the menu and felt sorry to see any birds."

"Haven't you got any grouse or other game?" I asked the waiter.

"We ain't got any grouse," was the reply. "The only game we have is lobsters."

"CASCARETS" FOR SLUGGISH BOWELS

No sick headache, sour stomach,
biliousness or constipation
by morning.

Get a 10-cent box now.

Turn the rascals out—the headache, biliousness, indigestion, the sick, sour stomach and foul gases—turn them out to-night and keep them out with Cascarets.

Millions of men and women take a Cascaret now and then and never know the misery caused by a lazy liver, clogged bowels or an upset stomach.

Don't put in another day of distress. Let Cascarets cleanse your stomach; remove the sour, fermenting food; take the excess bile from your liver and carry out all the constipated waste matter and poison in the bowels. Then you will feel great.

A Cascaret to-night straightens you out by morning. They work while you sleep. A 10-cent box from any drug store means a clear head, sweet stomach and clean, healthy liver and bowel action for months. Children love Cascarets because they never gripe or sicken. Adv.

Showing Goods.

Redd—For a Philadelphia traveling salesman there has been built an automobile with a body composed of a series of shelves and pigeonholes for samples which unfolds and makes an extensive display.

Greene—If it turns turtle I should say it would make an extraordinary display.

Age of Compactness.

Dealer—A diary for 1915? Perhaps this new style will suit you.

Customer—Rather small, isn't it? Why it stops with January 15.

Dealer—Yes, it is very compact—does away with the unnecessary bulk of paper that you find in the old-fashioned diaries.

Let's Hope So.

Bill—This paper says the invention of an Englishman is a machine to permit a singer to hear his own voice just as an audience hears it.

Jill—Do you suppose that will make certain people who sing more merciful?

Important to Mothers

Examine carefully every bottle of CASTORIA, a safe and sure remedy for infants and children, and see that it bears the Signature of *Dr. J. C. Fletcher* In Use For Over 30 Years.

Children Cry for Fletcher's Castoria

Maybe the man who says he takes a cold plunge every morning means that he takes it internally.

TALK ON WESTERN CANADA.

You Don't Have to Lie About
Canada—The Simple Truth
Is Enough.

The natural resources of the country are so vast that they cannot be told in mere figures. Man can only tell of what tiny portions have done. He can only say, "I am more prosperous than I ever expected to be." And yet if a farmer expects to succeed on land that he has been forced to pay \$50 to \$100 an acre for he ought to feel assured of attaining prosperity when he finds the richest prairie soil at his disposal absolutely free. If he has a little capital, let him invest it all in live stock and farm implements—he will find himself ten years ahead of the game. Some day such a chance will not be found anywhere on the face of the globe. But now the same opportunities await you as awaited the pioneer and not one hundredth part of the difficulties he encountered and overcome. Success in Canada is made up of two things, natural resources and human labor. Canada has the one and you the other. A postal card stands between you and the Canadian government agent. If you don't hold these two forces and enjoy the fruits of the result it is your own fault.

Debt and Canada Will Not Stand Hitched.

You want a cozy home, a free life, and sufficient income. You want education for your children, and some pleasure for your own. You want independence. Your burden has been heavy, and your farm hasn't paid. You work hard and are discouraged.

You require a change. There is a goal within sight, where your children will have advantages. You can get a home in Western Canada, freedom, where your ambitions can be fulfilled. If the Prairie Provinces of Canada are full of Successful Farmers why should you prove the exception? Haven't you got brains, experience, courage? Then prove what these are capable of when put on trial. It is encouraging to know that there is one country in the world where poverty is no barrier to wealth; own your own car; own yourself; be somebody.

For facts write to any Canadian government agent. Advertisement.

Panhandler Failed.

This is a panhandler story that failed. Douglass Fairbanks, the actor, was "touched" today for 35 cents by a man who said he wanted to get to New Rochelle to see his sick wife. The actor gave up willingly. Shortly after he met the panhandler on Sixth avenue inviting a couple of bums in to have a drink. "I thought you were going to New Rochelle to see your sick wife?" questioned the actor. "I guess I made a mistake," replied the young man. "You're going to New Rochelle." He took the man in a nearby cafe and spying an athletic young fellow hired him to take the panhandler to the Grand Central depot and put him on a train for New Rochelle, using the 35 cents to buy the ticket. "And knock his block off if he doesn't go," were Mr. Fairbanks' parting instructions to the athletic one.—New York Times.

Preparing a Substitute.

"We are to have company for dinner and I don't believe there is a grapefruit to be had in town! What in the world shall I do?"

"Got any oranges?"

"Plenty of them."

"All right. You are splitting the oranges and I'll run down to the drug store and get a pound of quinine to dust them with."

It is probably not generally known that a woman invented the paper bag. Away back in 1870 a patent was granted Miss Margaret Knight, who died only a short time ago at the age of seventy-five. There are said to be 310 women owners of incorporated establishments in St. Louis, who, besides managing the business, can do the actual manual labor required.

Scared, but No Coward.

"You look scared, lieutenant," said a coarse-grained fellow in the ranks to an intelligent young officer as the regiment was ordered to charge.

"I am scared," was the frank reply.

"If you were half as scared as I am you would be on the run five miles in the rear."

Little Billy Again.

Mother had been singing "My Dearest Heart," one line of which is, "The grave is cruel, the grave is cold."

"Oh, mother," exclaimed little Billy, as she finished, "why was the grave cold?"

Seven by the Average.

Knicker—How big is your boy?

Bocker—He takes a ten-year-old suit and a four-year-old car seat. He averages seven.

Record Explosion.

The most disastrous explosion ever known was at Gravelines in 1654. Three thousand persons were killed.

Time is money when you are asked to pay \$1.50 for repairing a 98 cent watch.

Wouldn't it be a fine thing if they could put summer weather in cold storage?

YOUR OWN DRUGGIST WILL TELL YOU

Try Spohn's Eye Remedy for Red, Watery Eyes and Granulated Eyelids; No Surgery, No Pain, No Danger. Write for Book of the Eye by mail Free. Spohn's Eye Remedy Co., Chicago.

You can't always judge a man's worth by the taxes he pays.

SAGE TEA DARKENS GRAY HAIR TO ANY SHADE. TRY IT!

Keep Your Locks Youthful, Dark,
Glossy and Thick With Garden
Sage and Sulphur.

When you darken your hair with Sage Tea and Sulphur, no one can tell, because it's done so naturally, so evenly. Preparing this mixture, though, at home is messy and trouble, some. For 50 cents you can buy at any drug store the ready-to-use tonic called "Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Hair Remedy." You just dampen a sponge or soft brush with it and draw this through your hair, taking one small strand at a time. By morning all gray hair disappears, and, after another application or two, your hair becomes beautifully darkened, glossy and luxuriant. You will also discover dandruff is gone and hair has stopped falling.

Gray, faded hair, though no disgrace, is a sign of old age, and as we all desire a youthful and attractive appearance, get busy at once with Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur and look years younger. Adv.

Plants From Belgium.

There is pathos in the fact, recently announced by government officials, that during the last three months there have come to this country from the most afflicted nation in the world, larger numbers of beautiful plants and flowers than from all the rest of Europe combined.

Little Belgium, a smoking, desolate waste, is seeking to save her flowers, and she has taken the place which, in times of peace, is held by France. The plants are being sent to the United States through Holland. After their inspection for plant diseases, they are turned over to brokers, who sell them to individuals.

Not Tooth Powder.

They were having a clearing house on domestic subjects.

"What kind of tooth powder is that in the bathroom cabinet?" the head of the house asked his wife.

"Tooth powder?"

"Yes, that stuff in a tube. It makes my teeth black and it tastes like asafetida."

"Why, that's not tooth powder. That is rheumatism paste we use on mother's back."

Two Well-Proved Exceptions.

"Does the course of true love never run smooth?"

"Only when neither party has enough to marry anybody else, or both have so much they've got to marry each other."

The Wise Fool.

"There is a time to work and a time to play, but you can't combine them," remarked the Sage.

"But suppose you are a musician?" asked the Fool.

You may not know just what she means when a girl says her lips are chapped.

Women Everywhere

Praise Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound

Women from the Atlantic to the Pacific, from all sections of this great country,